

Macomb MSU Extension 4-H Family Notes

Children, Youth & Family Programs

May-June 2004



Macomb County 4-H Offers Proud Equestrian Program



Beginning in May, Macomb County 4H will be offering the Proud Equestrian Program (PEP). The PEP brings persons with and without disabilities together to work in a therapeutic riding program that is designed to develop the riders' physical and mental abilities. Guided by

a certified therapeutic riding instructor, volunteers provide persons with physical, mental, and/or emotional disabilities (ranging from mild to severe) with the assistance they need to learn horsemanship skills. There are 8 skill levels in the program; each one builds on the skills learned in the level before it. Riders learn feeding and management practices as well as how to groom, tack and ride a horse. In order to

be sure that riders receive maximum benefit, all phases of the program are adapted to their individual needs and abilities.

Riders in the 4H Proud Equestrian Program have various special needs but they also share the need of all young people; to learn good communication, decision-making and problem-solving skills. By learning to ride and care for a horse, they will develop communication skills, improved physical well-being, self-control and self-confidence, the ability to get along with others and a sense of achievement.

For more information, please visit our website at www.macombcounty.gov/msuextension. Look for the 4-H link and follow the links to Community Programs, or give the 4-H office a call at 586-469-6431.

PEP Volunteers Needed

The Macomb County 4-H Proud Equestrian Program needs volunteers to assist youth with disabilities as they learn to ride. No horse experience is needed. Training will be provided to volunteers who are willing to commit to one three-hour session per week for six weeks. Call Tina Fleming at 586-469-6431 or Mary Rader at 810-326-0983 for more information. The first six-week session will run from May 6-June 10.

MSUE Welcomes New 4-H Agent

Kathy Jamieson, of Harrison Township recently began her duties as the Macomb County MSU Extension (MSUE) 4-H Youth Development Agent. Ms. Jamieson will be responsible for supervising the 4-H Program in Macomb County.

Prior to coming to MSUE, Ms. Jamieson gained over seven years experience in youth program administration. She served as the Director of the After School Program for Fitzgerald Schools, the Director of Employment Service for Macomb Community College and the Youth Program Supervisor for Michigan Works in Macomb County.

Ms. Jamieson is an alumnus of MSU, with an undergraduate degree in Secondary Education (1990). In 1997, she received her Masters of Education in School Counseling from Wayne State University.

Ms. Jamieson is a native of Macomb County and enjoys gardening, camping, attending art exhibits and theatrical performances and spending time with her family, friends and dog, Elvis.

2004 4-H King & Queen Contest

Now is the time to nominate someone from your club for King or Queen. Each club can nominate one boy and one girl from among their primary or shared project members. Candidates should be good representatives of what 4-H stands for, and must meet the following criteria:

- 14 years or older
- 2. 2 years of 4-H experience
- Would like to represent his/her club, community, and the county
- Will be present during Armada Fair week to help where needed
- Is willing and able to participate in local parades in September

Process:

- 1. Have your club nominate you.
- 2. Have your General/Organization Leader enter you into the contest (See Armada Fair book entries).
- 3. You are interviewed on your 4-H experience before the fair with your record book and/or scrapbook.
- 4. The 4H members of your club can vote on Sunday before fair and Tuesday of Fair.
- The Court is announced Tuesday at Opening Ceremonies of the Armada Fair.
- You gain leadership experience helping out at the fair; Petting Farm, Exhibit Building, Livestock Sale, handing out ribbons, Parades, and more!

More Information:

For more information and to enter your club nomination please contact Karen Rinke at 248-969-0266 or krinke@tmp-architecture.com. Note: Club Community Leader must enter the nominees on an entry form due by the 4-H entry deadline at the fair.

Club News

Planting at the Armada Fairgrounds

Submitted by Ann Marie Walsh

If anyone is interested in planting at the Armada Fairgrounds, please give me a call at 586-484-1989 or e-mail me at AnnMarie1117@hotmail.com so I can mail you an application with the guidelines. Everyone is welcome, 4-H and non-4-H.

Youth Invited to Join SECT

Submitted by Mary Gerstenberger

Youth ages 14-17 interested in environmental issues in southeast Michigan are invited to join the SouthEast Conservation Team (SECT). Members of SECT will be taking a leadership role in investigating and taking action on issues such as land use, water quality and wildlife conservation. For details on SECT, please contact Lisa Campion at 586-294-5343 or e-mail her at tomcampion@aol.com.

Prepare for Awards Applications and Interviews

Need help completing awards applications and/or preparing for interviews? No matter the occasion (State Awards, King & Queen Contest, etc.), Karen Rinke has offered to help 4-Hers fill out applications for awards and prepare for a successful interview if that is part of the process. She plans to put on a workshop later this spring that would benefit those teens who want to enter the competition for Armada Fair King and Queen. If you are interested, contact Karen directly at (248) 969-0266 or krinke@tmp-architecture.com.

K-9 Karnival Fun

By Lizzie and Lynda Brockert

The K-9 Karnival was a ton of fun! Veterinary Technician DeLise Stevens-Kudzia showed us what you have to do to become a Vet. Tech. She also told us about different diseases. Barbara Gates taught us how to do showmanship. If you want to learn or just love showmanship this would be the activity for you. Dorothy Murmyluk taught different obedience classes for different levels. She taught us how to get our dogs to sit and to retrieve. Jenny House and Anna Bjelica from Leader Dogs for the Blind brought service dogs Austin and Ben. They taught us what you have to do to get and train a service dog. They had pictures of other dogs that they had trained or which they are training now.

We had pizza and salad for lunch. It was very yummy. After lunch Nancy Duemling showed us what Earth Dogs are and what they do. She told us about the different requirements for different levels of achievements (Junior, Senior, and Master Earth Dog). Anne Roscoe showed us how to groom dogs correctly and what brushes to use for which breeds or areas. Then we made a craft, a dog place mat, under the direction of Denise Lotan. It was fun because you could put stickers and your dog's name on it. And the last thing was the Quiz Bowl, also run by Anne Roscoe. There were three teams each session and there were both difficult and easy questions. It was tons of fun. There also was a raffle. Every person got something. It was a great day for all dog owners. Whether you were 7 years old or a mom who came along, it was a day full of fun and learning. If you had to miss this year, you should be watching for next year so you don't miss out on this great day.

Exploration Days S.O.S.

We have 26 boys attending Exploration Days and only have two male chaperones. We need one more! Dads out there can help but must be screened volunteers. Contact Christine Miller by telephone at 586-469-6431 or by e-mail to Christine.miller@macombcountymi.gov.

Interested In Drama?

Metro Crusaderz Music and Drama project will be meeting Thursday, May 20^{th} to discuss summer practices and program ideas. Anyone interested is invited to attend. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. at Metropolitan Church of the Nazarene, 18945 Frazho Road, Roseville. For more information contact Mary Gerstenberger at 586-773-0762.

Knust Feed Center to Support 4-H Clubs

If all the members of a 4-H Club agree to purchase Show right feeds from Knust Feed Center in Almont, Knust will give the club a discount of 25 cents on each bag of feed purchased. For more information call Knust at 810-798-8772 or visit them at 6563 Hollow Corners Road.

Camp Kidwell

Camp Kidwell, located in Bloomingdale, Michigan (on the border of Allegan and VanBuren counties), has day camp sessions open to youth ages 5-7 and resident overnight camp open to youth ages 8-16. Camp sessions will be running from June 13 through August 13. Youth do not have to be enrolled in 4-H to attend.

Activities offered include swimming, nature walks, horseback riding, canoeing, kayaking, climbing tower, sports, arts and crafts, drama and acting, water trampoline, ropes course, and more. Facilities include heated cabins, a modern bathhouse, renovated 19th century hotel dining hall and waterfront area.

Camp Kidwell has been in operation since 1949. Allegan County 4-H Clubs, Inc. owns and operates this facility. Please call 269-686-2335 or visit www.campkidwell.org for more information.

Club News

Former 4-Her will be Missed

Submitted by Jan Weber

Deanna Ahren D'Abate, a member of Ray's Riding Rascals from 1986-1994, passed away in April after putting up a fierce battle against leukemia. She leaves behind two little children, a heartbroken husband, her parents and siblings. She was 26 years old. Deanna's family was very supportive to the 4-H program for several years. She will be missed by all who knew her.

TrailBlazers 4-H at Pine Meadows Assisted Living

Submitted by Jordan DuBaere

Our 4-H club goes to the Pine Meadows Assisted Living Residence the first Tuesday of every month. We play bingo, cards, checkers and dominoes with the seniors. We and the seniors have fun while we are playing games. Once we had a pancake dinner for them. It turned out well. We served pancakes, pineapple slices and ham. We set the tables and cleaned up after. It is a fun Community Service for TrailBlazers 4-H Club. TrailBlazers 4-H Club has been a good experience for my life.

Autism Awareness Month

Submitted by Ann Marie Walsh

People who know me, know me as Jessica's mom the girl with autism and I just want to let everyone know that April was Autism Awareness Month and give you all a few facts about autism.

- 1. Centers for Disease Control has announced that incidence of autism is one out of 166 persons.
- 2. Michigan is 4th in the nation in the incidence and prevalence of autism.
- 3. Persons with autism can grow up to live in the house or apartment of their choice with supports that are necessary for them to be happy, healthy and safe.
- 4. While people with autism share common characteristics- each person is unique in skills and strengths.
- 5. Autism is found throughout the world in families of all racial and ethnic backgrounds.
- 6. Sometimes the sounds of our world hurt the eyes and ears of persons with autism.
- 7. People with autism are much more logical then those of us without autism.
- 8. People with autism usually have difficulty understanding language and social behavior.
- 9. People with autism can learn how to read and follow picture and word schedules at a very early age.
- Autism is four times more common in boys than girls.
- 11. People with autism often behave in an unpredictable manner because they find it hard to cope with many everyday situations.
- 12. Every time I hear don't you wish she didn't have autism, I say no. I thank God every day that God gave Jessica to me, instead of someone that wouldn't be able to handle her with all of her behaviors. I feel truly blessed to have her for a daughter because God doesn't give everyone a daughter like Jessica.

Thank You

Special thanks to Sue Archambault and girls of Creative Clovers 4-H Club for helping the 4-H Office prepare the March-April 4-H Family Notes newsletter for mailing. They did a good job and their work was appreciated.

ARMADA FAIR August 17-22

Hog Tag & Weigh-In Armada Fairgrounds June 6, 2004 12-2 p.m.

Poultry Banding & Rabbit Tattooing Armada Fairgrounds July 18, 2004 12-2 p.m.

Do Worms Eat Your Garbage?

An experienced Extension volunteer is interested in presenting a worm-composting program for interested 4-H clubs. The program would take 1-2 hours and each youth (or family) would take home a worm-composting bin ready for immediate use. Most of the materials needed would be recyclables. There may be a small cost for the worms. If this sounds like an activity your club would like, please call the 4-H Office and we will give your name and phone number to the volunteer who will call you directly.

2004 State 4-H Awards Program

Congratulations to the five Macomb County Southeast Regional Winners. Their Awards applications have been chosen to move on to the state level.

Lisa Campion
Environmental Stewardship

Paul Gianferrara
Rabbits

Chelsea Lizak Sheep

Gina Riebel Swine

Jennifer Walsh Sheep

Upcoming Events

Space Camp: 4-H Missions in Space — Youth in grades 3-9 can explore the history, present and future of manned flight in space with the U.S. Space Center's Pathfinder program or explore the U.S. Space & Rocket Center through it's AstroTek program. Groups of youth can participate through 4-H at a special rate. Visit www.aces.edu/dept/4Haero/SpaceCamp, e-mail jacook@aces.edu, or call the Space Camp's 4-H Group Coordinator by telephone at 334-844-2233. Send mail inquiries to Space Camp, 4-H Coordinator, 214 Duncan Hall, Auburn University, AL 36849-5620.

2004 4-H National Congress November 26-30, 2004

Youth ages 15-19 will travel to Atlanta, Georgia to take part in this event. Participants will attend workshops about leadership development, character education, agriculture, cultural awareness and diversity education, work force preparation, environmental stewardship, science and technology literacy and communication skills development. Also included are town hall meetings on public policy issues about youth and community service projects.

Contact Anne Crotser at 586-469-6431 for more information.

State 4-H Dog Show

August 14, 2004 MSU Pavilion

Entry forms are available at the MSU Extension Office.

Entries must be submitted by Friday, July 2, 2004. Call Anne Crotser at 586-469-6431 for more information.

STATE 4-H TRAIL RIDE

Goose Creek Trail Camp, Grayling, Michigan June 11-13, 2004

Michigan 4-H club members, leaders and families are welcome. Riders must bring their own horses. Participants under the age of 14 must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Fees are as follows: 11 and older - \$33, 5-10 years old - \$23, 4 and under – free, Ride Only (no meals) - \$20. Contact the MSU Extension Office for an information packet and registration forms.

The registration deadline is May 26, 2004.

Michigan Bird & Game Breeders Association

Bird & Animal Swap Meets

Saturday, June 19, 2004 6 a.m. to noon Yoder's Blacksmith Shop 10885 N. Leaton Road, Clare, MI

Seller's fee: \$5 members, \$10 non-members All kinds of exotic & domestic animals-pheasants, waterfowl, peafowl, small farm animals, poultry, caged birds, rabbits, reptiles, supplies.

Call (989) 435-3231 for more information.

State 4-H Goat Show

Saturday, June 26, 2004 MSU Pavilion Show Barn

Classes: Showmanship, Dairy Breeds, Angora, Pygmy, Market Wether, County Herd, Obstacle & Pack, Driving.

Participants must be aged 9-19 as of December 31, 2004. Cost is \$6 per participant, \$4 per goat and \$8 per pen.

Registrations must be in by May 27, 2004. Call 586-469-6431 for information or a registration packet.

Michigan State Fair

Dates: August 11-22, 2004 Entry Deadline: July 11, 2004

Gold Ribbon Entry Deadline: Must be postmarked by July 26th or faxed by July 28th. Call Alice Diefenthaler at 313-369-8260 for Gold Ribbon information.

As of May 2004, you will be able to review the premium book online at www.michiganstatefair.gov. Entries cannot be made online, but all information can be downloaded and then mailed to Michigan State Fair, 1120 W. State Fair Ave., Detroit, MI 48203

2004 4-H Rabbit & Cavy Expo

Saturday, July 10, 2004 Anthony Hall Michigan State University

Events: Cost:

Quiz Bowl \$6 per individual Skillathon and \$3 per event

Rabbit Showmanship

Cavy Showmanship
Breed ID
Quiz Contest
Cay Breed Judging

All exhibitors must
be ages 9-19 by
December 31,
2004.

Craft

Rabbit Breed Judging

Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested on your registration form.

Divisions: Junior (9-13) Senior (14-19) Individual & Team

The registration deadline is June 4, 2004. Call the County MSU Extension Office for information and registration forms or go to www.msue.msu.edu/cyf/youth/aniscipr.html

Notes from the 4-H Office

Why 4-H Clubs Need Adult Leaders

The following essays were written by members of Ray's Riding Rascals 4-H Club and submitted by Katie Rinke, Club Secretary. They wanted leaders to know what 4-H members think.

We need adult leaders for so many reasons. One of the most important reasons why we need adult leaders is for guidance. They help direct us making important decisions like on how we want to spend our club money without going overboard, how we can raise money and what will be the rewards or consequences of what we do. They let us have our

own ideas and also offer theirs as well. They help us with new fun projects and teach us how to do them. If we didn't have adult leaders we wouldn't have anyone to legally sign contracts, get keys to buildings, sign checks, or get bank statements, and help organize events. Adult leaders help us learn how to keep accurate records and show us the proper way to do different things.

Most of all they give support and encourage us to participate in new and fun activities. It's a good feeling when adults say positive and encouraging things by noticing you and caring. You can also respect their criticism as a learning tool to do better. The adults are chaperones to events and pitch in and work right along with us. They are always there for us if we have a problem or a question. We learn by their example and they teach us how to work together and respect each other. Members of my family have been adult leaders for a very long time and I don't know what I would do without them or any other adult leader in 4H. They all support me in what I do, give me advice and encouragement and I feel as if they are part of my 4-H family.



I realize especially the volunteer leaders who do not actually have children in 4H, but they still volunteer their time and talents to make us grow up to be the best people that we can be in the future and to pass on what we have learned from them. I may not tell the adult leaders in the clubs how much I appreciate their time and what they do for us, but I hope that they know how much they mean to us 4-Hers. They truly dedicate their time, compassion, and talents with us and that shows me how much they care, and to me that is why 4-H needs adult leaders.

By Katie Rinke

A 4-H club needs adult leaders for many reasons. The reasons range from important to inconsequential. Adult leaders are really important in clubs with only younger members. In clubs with older members the leaders do not have quite as important a role.

Adult leaders help the club members to make decisions regarding topics that will have a large affect on the club as well as our community. They make suggestions for courses of action and decisions that are made. 4H clubs are supposed to follow the rules of a democratic system. Leaders help the club to follow the rules and explain information that we may not understand. Information from the MSU Extension office is often brought to the club by General Leaders. They hold responsibility for keeping the clubs on track and helping them to flourish and grow.

Adult Leaders aid the club officers with the club's funding and finances. Sometimes we do not think of the consequences of what we plan. The final decision is for us to make, but adults normally make suggestions to help us decide. Adults teach us to be responsible and understand the consequences of our actions. We learn from them how to best help our community, country and world just like in our pledge.

Adult leaders are needed in 4-H clubs to lead us through any problems or disagreements that occur. They should be open, friendly, and helpful to us. Leaders that simply make all our decisions for us are not helping us. We are here to learn. Adult leaders are there to do what their name suggests: Lead us to making good, thorough decisions that benefit everyone.

By Christine Bingham

4-H would not be possible without adult leaders. There are a lot of different traits that make a 4-H adult leader a good leader. One is being there when they are needed. Going to club events with members and participating in the event with them.

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Adult leaders are role models by acting mature, acting kind, and polite to all members at all times. Their behavior is courteous and not gossipy during or after 4H. They should be easy to work with and easily approached by members. They are adults that you should be able to talk to about problems that have to do with 4-H as well as problems outside of 4-H.

Adult leaders should set an example by following the rules of the club. Adult leaders should respect the 4H pledge by following it in deed and action. They provide supervised transportation to and from events. The adult leaders are responsible for making 4H possible by being there. Their positive character and open acceptance of all members is what makes them teachers for all members in 4-H. They are part of what makes 4-H so important to me.

By Chris Cooper

I think we need adult leaders because we need some people to keep the meetings orderly. They help members learn to behave by setting a good example. They do not use bad language or allow members to use bad words.



They help us to communicate by teaching us how to make phone calls, talk with each other without interrupting, and respect the rights of others. They are good listeners. They are our friends that we can talk to about 4-H problems and other problems. They help us learn how to solve problems.

We need them to go to Exploration Days. They have a lot of experience, so they can give us good ideas on how to do things. They make new experiences possible for us to do by being there.

Cheryl Donovan is one of my favorite adult leaders. She gave me an opportunity to be in the Petting Farm when I was a tag along my first year my sister and brother were in 4H. She treated me with respect and taught me how to care for the different animals. She made me feel important. I am very proud of the work I have done with her. My other favorite leader is Mrs. Weber. She has driven me to meetings and events. She talks to me and listens to me. She shows an interest in me. She is a friend to me and I like her. We would not have 4-H without adult leaders like these two ladies. I am glad they are in my life.

By Daniel Cooper

A leader is defined as a person that leads others, a horse harnessed at the front of a team, a person or animal who helps others, works with others and does what's best for everyone even if it's not the best for them. A leader is someone you can talk to, someone who will defend you no matter what, and a leader is someone you can trust!

We need leaders because we need someone to talk to when we have problems, someone to learn from, and someone to teach us how to be the most helpful and supportive teen leader that we can be. I would have never had the confidence to go to states with my horse, Lass Bonanza, and would have never earned a medal on my poster if it had not been for the encouragement I received from different adult leaders.

I am learning a lot from all my club leaders, but most of all I would like to thank Mrs. Weber for being the best leader I have ever had. She is positive, sees only the best in people, organized and extremely fair. She has helped me learn to problem solve and her honesty and character are rare and treasured by those who know her. She lives the 4-H motto and her encouragement to be in 4-H and be the best I can be has helped me meet and conquer challenges in 4-H and in life. When I get older I hope to become half as good an adult leader as Mrs. Weber so I can inspire others like she inspired me.

By Lucy Cooper

Without adult leaders there would be no 4H. They make everything that we do in 4-H possible. They help plan, prepare and execute meetings, community service projects and other events throughout the year. Adult leaders help out the young people in the club and set an example as to how things are done.

Adult leaders help prepare things. Leaders help with preliminary and behind the scenes work when planning activities. They help contact people and are always giving ideas and input as to how we can make things even better. Adult leaders help make the club run more smoothly. They are always around to give a helping hand when needed. Even more

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importantly, they know when to step back and let members figure things out. Many of the leaders in our club not only help when it comes to 4-H but they can also be helpful people to talk to about other matters. I believe our club has some of the best leaders because they don't only help out members in need but are also always there to help out each other.

Leaders give 4-H structure. The 4-H motto is to make the best better. The leaders make all that and more possible. They help set the path for members to follow. Leaders help to point us in the right direction so that we can make a difference. Leaders too pledge their head, heart, hands and health to better service. They are committed to helping create a safe environment for young people to learn, have fun and develop socially in. The adults that work with 4-H are people that have the best interests of youth at heart. I am very thankful for all of the wonderful adult leaders that we have in this club and county because they make a big difference and are a great group of people.

By Mary Croxon



4-H wouldn't be the same if we didn't have adult leaders. Without them, there would be stomping of feet and screams of "no, I want this" and "I want that." It could go on and on. But as we know, we are fortunate enough to have kind leaders to help us throughout our club. They help us to sort out issues that we don't always agree on. This will help everyone to be happy.

Our adult leaders also help us to organize our group. With places to go and meetings, too, we need to be able to find important papers at certain times.

Many adults think about safety and so do our adult leaders. They always have it planned out in case we get hurt. That way, everyone is sound and happy. They also help us to think of what kind of projects to do next. Creative minds help us to become very interested in 4-H and to keep up our good work. Thanks to our adult leaders, we are capable of staying together as a 4-H club.

By Ania Kroll

When you think of 4H, what comes to mind? Perhaps fun-filled craft days, horse shows, and other outings and community service acts. But, would any of these things be possible without our adult leaders? The answer is no. Adult leaders are an important part of 4-H; they give us good role models to look up to, help us plan the things we want to do, and get us to the places we need to go.

First and foremost, our adult leaders are our role models. They show us how to treat others fairly and with respect. They help us work through any problems we are having or decisions we are having trouble making. They also demonstrate ways to make good decisions that will continue to benefit our lives. Through the example of our adult leaders, we learn how to make the best of things we do not like, and how to gracefully accept both winning and losing. In this aspect, adult leaders help shape the good people we will be in the future.

They also give us their support in planning what the club should do. The club members might decide what we would like to do, but the adult leaders help us narrow down our choices. They also come up with excellent, fun-filled activities when we can think of none and remember things that we, as kids, forget, like times and dates. Our leaders also make the reservations we need and plan how long our project is going to take. Our group would unquestionably not function as smoothly without our adult leaders.

Another thing we could not do without our adult leaders is get to the places we need to go. Though some in the club can drive, many cannot, and then where would we be? Our wonderful, fun planned outing would go right down the drain if we had no way to get there. Our adult leaders see to that. They help us get places, and do not even complain about toting our bums around. They just get us to where we need to go, happy that we are happy.

The adult leaders in 4-H are incredibly important. They help us in more ways than we know, whether it is being our role model, helping us plan, or assisting us carry them out; our adult leaders are always there. So, where would 4H be without them? We would definitely be going nowhere fast.

By Diana Kroll

2004 Michigan 4-H Shooting Sports Tournament August 7-8, 2004 – Register by July 14, 2004

Go to www.msue.msu.edu/msue/cyf/youth/shootisp.html for more information.

4-H Horticulture & Entomology Contests

Michigan State University Open to youth ages 5-19.

Date: Friday, July 16, 2004

Place: Michigan State University

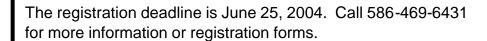
Cost: \$5 per person + \$1 per event.

Age Divisions*: Cloverbuds (ages 5-8)

Youth (ages 9-11)

Junior (ages 12-14), Senior (ages 15 +)

*Age calculated as of 12/31/04



Design a poster or the 2004 State 4-H Horticulture T-shirt!

ARMADA FAIR INFORMATION MEETING & GROUNDS CLEANUP

May 22 & 23, 2004 Armada Fairgrounds 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Bring rakes, gloves, and tools for cleanup.
Saturday lunch provided.
Fair Books will be available for pick-up Saturday 9 a.m.-noon
& Sunday 2-5 p.m.



COUNTY EVENTS May 4-H Horticulture & Envir. Education 11 Developmental Committee Mtg., 6:30 p.m., MSUE 4-H Livestock Developmental 12 Committee Mtg. 13 4-H Fair Committee Mtg., 6:30 p.m, **MSUE** 22-23 Fair Info. Mtg. & Fairgrounds Cleanup, Armada Fairgrounds, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. 27 Healthy Lifestyles Developmental Committee Mtg., 6:30 pm, MSUE 31 Office Closed June 3 Exploration Days Orientation, 6 p.m., MSUE Hog Tag & Lamb Weigh-in, 12-2 p.m., 6 Armada Fairgrounds July-August 4-H Family Notes deadline 10 28 4-H Livestock Sale Subcommittee Mtg., 8 p.m., Location TBA

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STATE EVENTS

8-9 Companion Animal Workshop, Kettunen Ctr.

June

May

Adult Riding Clinic, MSU 11-12 MI Spartan Classic Jr. Swine Show, MSU Pavilion State 4-H Trail Ride, Goose 11-13 12-13 MI Jr. Beef Show & Beef Showcase, MSU Pavilion MI Jr. Sheep Spectacular, 19 MSU Pavilion 23-25 Exploration Days, MSU 26 State 4-H Goat Show, MSU 28 MI 4-H Livestock Camp,

Branch County Fairgrounds

29-30 MMPA Dairy Tour, MSU

July

4-H Rabbit & Cavy ExpoState 4-H/FFA Livestock Judging Contest, MSU

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